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December 2022 Mock Trial News



The North Carolina Mock Trial Program wishes everyone a Happy Holiday Season and a Wonderful New Year! We are very excited to announce that we have **77** teams registered to compete in the upcoming Regional Competition set for February 4, 2023.



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[WHY Volunteer?](#)

Our success as a program not only comes from our amazing Sponsors but also from our Village of Volunteers -- Site Volunteers, Regional and Site Coordinators, and Judges along with Scoring Jurors. We asked a few of our faithful volunteers: "Why?"; "Why do you volunteer with the NC Mock Trial Program?". These are their responses:

"I volunteer... because doing so not only helps educate the next generation of trial lawyers, but improves public confidence in the judicial system, provides unmatched opportunities for students to see learning come alive, and simply energizes my life and love of the practice of law." - Rick Glazier, Raleigh

"It is very rewarding to see the effort the participants in the competition make each year, and makes me more confident in the younger generation to take on the challenges they will encounter in life." - Ad Winters, Fayetteville

[NC Attorneys and Judges Needed as Scoring Jurors and Presiding Judges during Regionals - Feb. 4th](#)

We hope you will join us in-person on **February 4, 2023** to volunteer as a judge or juror at the NCAJ's high school mock trial competition! We have 77 high school teams registered to compete at courthouses throughout the state. Saturday, February 4th, volunteer time slots (which include time for orientation) are as follows:

- 9:00 am - 11:30 am
- 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- 3:45 pm - 6:15 pm

Please access our [Volunteer Form here](#). Questions? Feel free to reach out to Joyce Britt, Program Coordinator at joyce@ncmocktrial.org.

ATTORNEY ADVISORS NEEDED!!

Are you an attorney who can partner with a local teacher and help to coach high school students in your community as they prepare for mock trial? We are still in need of Attorney Advisors for the following high schools:

- Community School of Davidson (Mecklenburg County - Davidson)
- North Henderson High School (Henderson County - Hendersonville)
- William A. Hough High School (Mecklenburg County - Cornelius)
- NC School of Science & Math (Durham County - Durham)

Can you help coach? Your role as a mentor will be forever remembered by these students and you will be joining a network of hundreds of lawyers who support this important program as regional coordinators, presiding judges, and attorney advisors. If available to help, please email joyce@ncmocktrial.org. Attorney Advisors typically meet with students approximately 6-8 times between *December* and *February* (this is flexible, depending on what your schedule allows). The NCMTTP offers attorney advisors plenty of support including this list of [suggested activities](#) and all of these student [training materials](#).

2022-2023 MOCK TRIAL SEASON CALENDAR

Team Member List, Code of Ethics, Student Release Forms

Due | Thursday, **January 5, 2023**

Last Day to Withdraw without Penalty | Thursday, **January 5, 2023**

Regional Competition | Saturday, **February 4, 2023**

Widenhouse Award Nomination Materials Due at 5 pm | Wed., **Feb. 15, 2023**

State Finals Competition, Raleigh, NC | Fri-Sat, **March 17-18, 2023**

National Championship, Little Rock, Arkansas | Thurs-Sat, **May 18-20, 2023**

Please note, all forms may be submitted online by accessing: <https://ncmocktrial.org/compete/important-forms/>.

Please email joyce@ncmocktrial.org with any questions.

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NCMTP REGIONAL AND SITE COORDINATORS

The below group of attorneys and paralegals generously volunteer their time to make mock trial competition run smoothly each year. Learn more about all coordinators at <https://ncmocktrial.org/supporters>. We thank both our new coordinators and long-time coordinators very much:

Regional Coordinators

- Fayetteville: Rebecca Britton, Jordan Godwin
- Gastonia: Holden Clark
- Hendersonville: Mary Ann Hollocker
- High Point: Rich Manger, Eric Richardson
- Hillsborough: Drew Haywood and Rebecca Ugolick
- Raleigh: Kathryn Martin
- Salisbury: John Basinger
- Wilmington: John H. Anderson, Jr.

Site Coordinators:

- Fayetteville: Tanja Shurling
- Gastonia: Jacqueline Thurman
- Hendersonville: Melanie Miller
- High Point: Grace Lay
- Hillsborough: Patti Clapper
- Raleigh: Michelle Keely and Amanda Miller
- Salisbury: Alicia Coggins and Connie Cassatt
- Wilmington: Catherine Holland

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